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ENLARGED SHEET.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 1886.

The Last Flood.

Los Angeles river has again over-

lapped its banks, causing serious de-

struction to life and property. The

flood of early Tuesday morning, of

which the details are graphically given

elsewhere in this day's Times, is some

times as serious as that of February,

1884.

Bridges have been carried away,

railroad tracks wrecked, water mains

severed, sand-bags "busted," lands

levelled, a depot demolished, houses

crushed and vineyards overgrown,

and at least three human lives sacrificed

by the devastating element.

The river front presents a sorry and

sad spectacle.

Many unfortunate people, driven from

their homes on the lowlands are thrown

upon the charity of the public, but we

are glad to be able to say they are being

served for as well as the exigencies of

the situation met by the authorities of

the city, which are graphically given

elsewhere in this day's Times. The

Tabernacle, so recently erected and de-

dicated to the service of the God

of the poor and the fatherless, has been

opened to the homeless ones, and serves

well the purpose of a temporary shelter.

Other charitable homes have

been opened to the needy,

public and private aid is being extended,

and there will be no serious suffering,

we trust.

This last flood is another warning to

the people and the authorities of Los

Angeles. Will it be heeded? The

river, though a small stream

nearly half a century old, is still

a menace to the city. It is a

treacherous stream, and cannot be

trusted to be in its good behavior year

in and year out. It needs to be re-

strained within its banks. It pays no

attention to the "official" riverbed,

but breaks out just where it pleases,

each time doing damage which, aggre-

gated, would soon pay the cost of

necessary levees to keep it within

bounds.

Shall the needed work of making such

levees be longer delayed? Are we to

go on from year to year in this way,

each season running fresh risks of suffering

great losses in property and lives? It

cannot be, unless we consent to be set

down as an unenlightened and non-

progressive people, having no knowl-

edge of our best interests, no care for

the lives and property of our citizens.

Something should be done; prompt

action should be taken by the people,

the corporations and the municipality,

to the end that the present loose and

dangerous state of things may be

speedily put to an end. We have long

enough drifted along on the principle

of the least resistance, but when it

was raining he couldn't perform the

operation, and when it was not raining

he did not need a roof. We say that we

have long enough acted on this princi-

ple. It is time to adopt a new and

better one in dealing with the unruly

Los Angeles river.

Let the matter be pushed while it is

hot-and damp. Let it be agitated in

Council, suggestions from all compe-

tent sources be considered, and a plan

adopted and carried out—a plan of per-

manent and solid improvement and

protection, defense and health for all

time. It is necessary, and it will pay.

The proposed scheme of a new union

depot on Alameda street, in conjunction

with a levee, is one worthy of consid-

eration among other plans, though we

have not yet looked into its details.

In any event, something should be

done, and be done speedily. Delay is

dangerous, a fact of which we have

already had repeated and ample evi-

dence.

Prospecting for natural gas is going

forward near Salinas, a company hav-

ing been formed with that object. A

gas vein or reservoir has been tapped

at various times in that locality at a

depth of about seventy feet, and the

pressure was found sufficient to supply

large volumes of flame. It is just a

question, however, whether the gas can

be obtained in sufficient quantity to be

of any practical value. It is known

that natural gas is not given off in the

hood of the Marysville mine, and it is

possible that deep boring in that sec-

tion might result in a valuable devel-

opment.

It is reported as a doubtful effort to

quote such rich items of information as

the foregoing, and yet the Times takes

chances and lets it go in.

Re-creation of the Ohio.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 19.—

The cause of the frequent prostration

of the telegraph line between San Fran-

cisco and Los Angeles is now known.

Some attribute it to the use of the poles

by crows as something poles, while

others think that it is due to rot in

the atmosphere.

AN ASYLUM OF LIFE.

A Modern Mosaic Toward Which

The Sick Journey and Recover.

General Experience of Los Angeles Citizens

What One Man is Doing for His

Fellow Men—Results that Speak.

A little over two months ago, Mr. Mac-

don, of the city of Los Angeles, came to this

city from San Francisco and immediately

resumed his former occupation as a

business man. He was, however, not

the same man as when he left San Fran-

cisco. He was now a man who had

been through a long and arduous

journey, and who had returned to his

home with a new and improved

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WIRES DOWN.

shoulders, drew himself up on
the river with a rope, and jumped the
door of the bridge. Some
which "Pelone" made to induce
to jump off the bridge were
of the little houses in a row
the river bears over the door a
case Kae, Laundry." One Kae
or five other Celestials were
washing clothes as though nothing
had transpired.

the wire at the p
water is running

[illegible]

the robins, bluebirds, etc., just as in a New England, is a curious sense

[illegible]

To establish grade
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The river rose steadily until 11 o'clock, and it then fell as rapidly as it had risen. Great fears were entertained that the Macy-street bridge would be washed away.

— To sustain pro

Three men at the river declared that they would not dismiss their fears of a flood until after 6 o'clock this morning, when the fall discharge of the mountains might be heard from.

A half past 8 o'clock this morning Officer Jackson reported the river still falling.

— Boston. —

J. W. Potts states that, during the flood of 1905-06, immense quantities of wood were brought down from the mountains, and the plains were covered for miles. The people did not have to go far for their firewood for several years.

Four feet of water deluged Mayberry Bros.' cellar at their warehouse on Alameda street.

IN THE COUNTY.

High water and deluge from

City Attorney on

general opinion seems to be that the farmers are getting more than they bargained for. The Cerritos country near Long Beach and Wilmington is all under water, and thousands of homes are serious. The water from the combined flow of the Los Angeles and Old San Gabriel rivers, and the whole country is one vast lake.

LOS ANGELES RIVER.

People are anxious to get to the Downey yesterday, state that all the bridges have been swept away on the river. The railroad bridge was hanging by a few shreds, and the highway bridge was smashed to the South Pacific Railroad Company. A large area of country is flooded in the valley, especially in the vicinity of Downey.

LOS ANGELES.

LOS ANGELES, 1928.—Today (Monday) a fearful storm of wind and rain prevailed, shaking the buildings

W. B. Stephens for
So ordered.
ice on Lands re

horses are furious, and the two broke down, breaking quite a good deal of the fence. Local police, seven on duty, showed that Perry & M. the builders, and Ledbetter, the man, did a good staying job in building the fence.

A telephone special to the Times evening from Long Beach stated that high water prevailed there yesterday, small portion of the pier has been washed away, but no other serious damage has been done.

SANTA MONICA.

A message from Santa Monica evening stated that heavy rains had prevailed there for two days. It is a street southeast gate, and yesterday the east side bath-house was hit down. The other bath-houses were gone also, and they not been down to save the bath-houses from the great waves have been washing up on the beach.

SAN FRANCISCO.

So ordered.

valley were higher than they
before been in the memory of an
residing in the valley. This
must all find an outlet through the
Angels river.

TOWARDS WILMINGTON.
David Smith, of Compton, who
that place about 3 o'clock p. m. y
day, and arrived here after dark
ports that every bridge between
ton and Wilmington, out of the
line of a great highway. The
is Compton to the depth of three
houses which have been built for
years and never sustained an o
before. At the pork-packing co
street near Florence, the water
is estimated so that only cars
are left standing with wheels
on our side.

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